

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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WSDOT Construction Activity & Possible Delays/February 7-February 17, 2002

<u>Road Conditions</u>: Motorists should expect winter driving conditions. Vehicles should be equipped with proper tires, carry chains, and emergency equipment. For Washington State Mountain Pass conditions call 1-800-695-7623, extension 1. <u>For road conditions between the Spokane area and Ritzville, Tri-Cities, Colville, Newport, or Pullman call 1-800-695-7623, extension 511.</u>

HIGH IMPACT!! SR 290-Trent Avenue/Spokane River Bridge (MP 0.4-0.6)-Work is underway on this bridge replacement project between downtown and Hamilton Street. Trent Ave. is closed to through traffic between Riverpoint Blvd. and Cincinnati Street. Detours are fully signed. Access to all businesses on Trent is available. This is a long-term closure. Note: Sharp Avenue is not being used as the official detour for this project. This is due to the heavy pedestrian traffic at the numerous crosswalks on Sharp associated with Gonzaga University. The speed limit on sharp is also only 25 mph. Motorists are encouraged to use Second and Third Avenues as the east/west detour route for this project.

TRAFFIC REVISION ALERT!! U.S. 395-North Spokane Corridor/Hawthorne to U.S. 2- Work has resumed. Parksmith Road closed to through traffic between Hawthorne Road and Market Street. Motorists should use Hawthorne as an alternate route. Full access to all businesses on Parksmith is open.

<u>I-90/Sullivan Road Interchange (MP 291)-</u> Crews will be installing a sign on the right-hand side of northbound Sullivan Road near the I-90 westbound ramp. Work is scheduled to begin Sunday, February 10, at 8 a.m. although weather conditions could force delay of work to later in the week. Drivers should expect lane restrictions, delays and possible short-term stopped conditions on Northbound Sullivan Road while work is being completed.

SR 270, Pullman- Weather permitting, crews will be working on SR 270 near Pullman, Thursday, February 7, taking test samples of the pavement in several areas. The work will begin around 8:00 a.m. and should be complete around 1:00 p.m. The work underway is between Airport Road near Pullman and the Avista Utilities facility. During this time there will be short periods of single lane traffic directed by flaggers. Motorists may experience some short delays.

<u>SR 194/Pullman to Almota (MP 0-23)-</u> Truck speed limit has been reduced to 35 mph due to soft roadway conditions, until further notice.